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Glen Eurick Barrick Mercur Gold Mines, Incorporated 8 East Broadway, Suite 510 Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Re: Joint Agency Reclamation Tour, Mercur Mine, M/045/017, Tooele County, Utah

Dear Mr. Eurick:

On behalf of my staff and the New Mexico minerals reclamation staff, I wish to extend our thanks to you and your staff for providing us with the opportunity to observe the excellent reclamation work that Barrick has performed at the Mercur Canyon Gold Mine. Please convey our appreciation to your staff for the courteous professionalism that was extended to us during the tour.

The tour was very informative and thoroughly enjoyed by all participants. I believe both my staff and the New Mexico personnel gained valuable knowledge and reclamation insight as a result of the tour. I'm sure that this information will be very useful to New Mexico's technical staff as they continue with the implementation of their new minerals regulatory program.

Thanks again for your hospitality and willingness to accommodate our joint agency reclamation tour request. We look forward to working with you and your staff in Barrick's future mining endeavors.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg

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